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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98 and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements filed July 3, 2006; February 6, 2008; and July 14, 2008, Applicants hereby direct the Examiner's attention to the following documents cited in Supplementary European Search Reports for European Applications EP 03 73 0831, EP 03 73 0837, and EP 07 01 5427:

- (1) EP 1 352 650 A, Applicants note that this document was incorrectly listed in the Information Disclosure Statement of July 3, 2006 as EP 1 532 650;
- (2) WO 99/65449 A1, Applicants note that this document was incorrectly listed in the Information Disclosure Statement of July 3, 2006 as WO 99/65499;
- (3) WO 99/46267 A1, Applicants note that this document was listed in the Information Disclosure Statement of July 3, 2006;
- (4) WO 99/46244 A1, September 16, 1999;

- (5) WO 99/46236 A1, September 16, 1999;
- (6) WO 98/32017 A2, July 23, 1998;
- (7) WO 02/16633 A2, February 28, 2002;
- (8) EP 0 931 544 A2, July 28, 1999;
- (9) WO 99/40907 A1, August 19, 1999;
- (10) EP 1 008 346 A1, June 14, 2000;
- (11) EP 1 113 000 A1, July 4, 2001;
- (12) US 6 117 859, Applicants note that this document was listed in the Information Disclosure Statement of July 3, 2006;
- (13) EP 0 221 211 A, Applicants note that this document was listed in the Information Disclosure Statement of July 3, 2006;
- (14) Takehisa Masanori et al. "Salt of o-benzamidothiophenol with zinc" 19580723, XP007907656, July 23, 1958;
- (15) JP 37 000 225 B, January 23, 1962;
- (16) WO 99/55663 A1, Applicants note that this document was listed in the Information Disclosure Statement of July 3, 2006;
- (17) EP 0 221 346 A1, Applicants note that this document was listed in the Information Disclosure Statement of July 3, 2006;
- (18) WO 00/35442 A1, Applicants note that this document was listed in the Information Disclosure Statement of July 3, 2006;
- (19) EP 0 081 782 A1, June 22, 1983;

(20) MADAN et al., Molecular Pharmacology, 2000, Vol. 58, No. 3., pp. 526-534, Applicants note that this document was listed in the Information Disclosure Statement of July 3, 2006; and

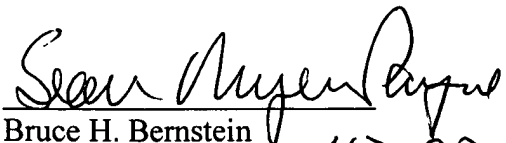
(21) JP 62 099329 A1, Applicants note that this document was listed in the Information Disclosure Statement of July 3, 2006.

Copies of the above-listed documents (1)-(2), (4)-(11), (14), (15), and (19), as well as the Supplementary European Search Reports for European Applications EP 03 73 0831, EP 03 73 0837, and EP 07 01 5427 are enclosed together with a completed copy of the Form PTO-1449 listing these documents. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to consider these documents and to indicate such consideration by returning a signed and initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 with the next communication.

Applicants note that a Request for Continued Examination has been filed in the present application on May 11, 2009, and thus, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(4), no fee is required for consideration of the submitted materials. However, if for any reason a fee is necessary for consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement, the undersigned hereby authorizes the charging of any fee necessary for the consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (p), to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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